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MANAGEMENT APPARATUS WHICH :  
PREDICTS FUTURE STATUS OF :  
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.